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1ST SESSION

S. 816

To establish the position of Northern Border Coordinator in the Department
of Homeland Security.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2005

Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON) introduced the following bill; which was read
twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Govern-
mental Affairs

A BILL

To establish the position of Northern Border Coordinator
in the Department of Homeland Security.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. NORTHERN BORDER COORDINATOR.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title IV of the Homeland Secu-
5 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 201 et seq.) is amended—

6 (1) in section 402—

7 (A) by redesignating paragraph (8) as
8 paragraph (9); and

9 (B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the
10 following:

1 “(8) Increasing the security of the border be-
 2 tween the United States and Canada and the ports
 3 of entry located along that border, and improving
 4 the coordination among the agencies responsible for
 5 maintaining that security.”; and

6 (2) in subtitle C, by adding at the end the fol-
 7 lowing:

8 **“SEC. 431. NORTHERN BORDER COORDINATOR.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—There shall be within the Direc-
 10 torate of Border and Transportation Security the position
 11 of Northern Border Coordinator, who shall be appointed
 12 by the Secretary and who shall report directly to the
 13 Under Secretary for Border and Transportation Security.

14 “(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Northern Border Co-
 15 ordinator shall be responsible for—

16 “(1) increasing the security of the border, in-
 17 cluding ports of entry, between the United States
 18 and Canada;

19 “(2) improving the coordination among the
 20 agencies responsible for the security described under
 21 paragraph (1);

22 “(3) serving as the primary liaison with State
 23 and local governments and law enforcement agencies
 24 regarding security along the border between the
 25 United States and Canada; and

1 “(4) serving as a liaison with the Canadian gov-
2 ernment on border security.”.

3 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
4 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6
5 U.S.C. 101 et seq.) is amended by inserting after the item
6 relating to section 430 the following:

“Sec. 431. Northern Border Coordinator.”.

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